



<b>PETITION NUMBER:</b>	1012-CPA-02
<b>PETITIONER:</b>	City of Westfield
<b>REQUEST:</b>	The City of Westfield is requesting an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan to incorporate the Family Sports Capital Addendum II.
<b>EXHIBITS:</b>	1. Staff Report
	2. Family Sports Capital Addendum II
<b>STAFF REVIEWER:</b>	Kevin M. Todd, AICP

### **PETITION HISTORY**

On December 13, 2010, the City Council forwarded the Family Sports Capital Addendum II to the Comprehensive Plan (the “Addendum”) to the Advisory Plan Commission (the “APC”). The Addendum will be presented to the APC at its December 20, 2010 meeting.

### **PROCEDURAL**

- Amendments to the comprehensive plan are required to be considered at a public hearing. The public hearing will be held on December 20, 2010 at the APC Meeting.
- Notice of the December 20, 2010 Public Hearing was provided in accordance with the APC Rules of Procedure.

### **SUMMARY**

The City of Westfield charged the Westfield Family Sports Commission (the “Commission”) with providing (1) a list of recommended sports to be offered in the new facility based on the demand, stakeholders, cost and mission; and (2) recommending a location for the Family Sports Capital of America (the “Sports Capital”). As part of the Commission’s Phase II analysis, it was determined that the Sports Capital initiative could support the following outdoor field sports: soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby, field hockey, baseball and softball; as well as, an indoor facility hosting all field sports with an emphasis on soccer, baseball and soccer league, travel and personal training.

The Commission, in cooperation with the Hamilton County Convention and Visitors Bureau, will continue to study, evaluate, and generate recommendations for the project during Phase III of its analysis, an operations plan. In the meantime, the City is initiating this amendment to the comprehensive plan to accommodate the Sports Capital concept at the location identified in the Family Sports Capital of America Addendum II Map.

This concept is a significant component of the City’s economic development strategy. The purpose of adopting the Family Sports Capital Addendum II at this time is to publicly endorse the location and promote the City’s family sports economic development strategy.



**RECOMMENDATION**

Hold a public hearing on December 20, 2010 and forward this item to the January 4, 2011 APC Meeting for approval.

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